(Rs. in Crores)

Units	1997-98 Profit(+)/Loss(-)	1998-99 Profit(+)/Loss(-)	1999-2000 Profit(+)/Loss(-)
Namrup	(-) 201.71	(-) 78.83	(-) 84.58
Durgapur	(-) 198.69	(-) 214.95	(-) 241.83
Barauni	(-) 244.79	(-) 217.97	(-) 238.63
Marketing/Others	(-) 2.64	(-) 2.74	(+) 0.81

Revival of Ramagundam Fertilizer Unit

3412. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has requested to revive the fertilizer unit of the Fertilizer Corporation of India at Ramagundam, at the earliest; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to ensure that the plant is not closed on account of resource crunch?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The comprehensive rehabilitation proposal for Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. including its Ramagundam Unit based on unit-wise techno-economic viability is to be submitted to the competent authority in the Government and thereafter for final sanction of Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction.

Improving the efficiency of Urea Units

3413. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to initiate any action for improving the efficiency of gas-based and Naphtha-based urea units; and

(b) if so, the line of action proposed and the target date thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) and (b) Government policy